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REFERENCE:

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Dear Mr. Kisambira,

I refer to the resolution adopted by the Staff Council on Thursday, 16 October entitled "Breach of Confidentiality".

I would like to point out that the resolution incorrectly states that "the Department of Management authorized the publication of documentation on its global intranet (i-seek) that lists the names, departments, ID numbers and signatures of staff". The Department of Management does not control the content of iSeek and was not consulted on the posting of the material referred to. I would appreciate it if a correction could be made for the record.

Yours sincerely,

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Staff Council

RESOLUTION

Breach of Confidentiality

WHEREAS, the Department of Management authorized the publication of documentation on its global intranet (i-seek) that lists the names, departments, ID numbers and signatures of staff;

WHEREAS, this action represents a breach of confidentiality that compromises the safety and security of staff by placing confidential information in the public domain;

WHEREAS, the press has already commented on this security lapse with the result that the names have now been removed.

THE COUNCIL DECIDES:

- (a) To request the Secretary-General to initiate an immediate and independent investigation to determine culpability and to hold the individual responsible for authorizing publication of this information to account.

Adopted	✓
For	15
Against	0
Abstention	0